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EXAMINER'S REPLY ANSWER

This reply answer is in response to appellant's reply brief dated August 02, 2001.

With respect to appellant's reply brief, the examiner is merely clarifying how the Sangveraphunsiri reference is being interpreted with respect to figures 21 and 22. The motherboard connector as claimed by applicant is elements 548', 568, and 566 as shown in figure 21. The connector (548', 568, and 566) allows the edge connector of the cartridge (520) to be received on a motherboard in a parallel orientation to and

displaced from the motherboard as claimed. In response to appellant's remarks concerning Sangveraphunsiri in view of Hayakawa et al., it is noted that appellant relies upon the sole argument of Sangveraphunsiri lacking a teaching of the edge connector not being mounted on the motherboard in a parallel and displaced orientation. As can be clearly seen in figure 21 of Sangveraphunsiri the connector (548', 568, and 566) does in fact teach edge connector of the cartridge processor being mounted on the motherboard in a parallel and displaced orientation. For the above reasons, it is believed that the rejections should be sustained.

Respectfully submitted,

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